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1. ALL SEOUL DALIES PLAY HOLBROOKE'S MARCH 9 HIRC TESTIMONY AS MAJOR FRONTPAGE ITEM. TONG-A ILBO DETAILS ENTIRE TESTIMONY, WITH EXTENSIVE QUOTATION, WHILE REST OF PRESS FOCUSES ON ONE PORTION OF TESTIMONY. HEADLINES: "NO DIRECT DIALOGUE WITH NORTH KOREA" (KYONGHYANG ILBO): "US WILL NEVER HAVE DIRECT TALKS WITH NORTH KOREA" (SEOUL SINMUN); "US REJECTS DIRECT UK-NK NEGOTIATIONS" (HANKUK ILBO), ETC. NO EDITORIAL OR GOSSIP-COLUMN COMMENT.

2. KOREAGATE: AS PRESS MARKS END OF PTS' HEC TESTIMONY, REPS FLYNT AND SPENCER ARE QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HEC ASKED ALL POSSIBLE QUESTIONS, AND RECEIVED ANSWERS FROM PTS. JAWORSKI'S STATEMENT THAT THE HEARING WAS
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"PRODUCTIVE/ RECEIVES WIDE NOTICE, THOUGH FEWER PAPERS ADD HIS STATEMENT THAT HE IS NOW OPTIMISTIC ABOUT OBTAINING TESTIMONY OF KIM DONG JO. CHUNGANG ILBO'S DC CORRESPONDENT SAYS THAT THE HEC, IF NOT SATISFIED WITH SUM OF PTS'S TESTIMONY, MAY NOW "RESORT TO ADDITIONAL MEASURES", EITHER ASKING JUSTICE TO LIFT PTS' IMMUNITY OR POSSIBLY ATTEMPTING TO USE COMPENSATORY PACK-

AGE AS LEVEL TO FORCE KIM DONG JO TO TESTIFY. AFTERNOON PAPERS ALL FRONTPAGE WASHINGTON STORY CITING STATE'S INSISTENCE THAT EXIM BANK LOAN TO ROK TO BUY NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS BE TREATED INDEPENDENTLY OF KOREAGATE. CHUNGANG ILBO NOTES IN PASSING THAT FONMIN SAYS ROKG "HAS A GREAT INTEREST IN" BUYING THE PLANTS IN EUROPE RATHER THAN US.

3. TEAM SPIRIT: COVERAGE MODERATE, WITH MOST ATTENTION DEVOTED TO USS MIDWAY AND TO US DIVISION ON MANEUVERS NORTH OF SEOUL.

4. ENTIRE PRESS REPORTS JAPANESE NUCLEAR STORY SUMMARIZED IN TONG-A ILBO'S FRONTPAGE HEADLINE, "JAPANESE PM SAYS NUCLEAR WEAPONS DO NOT VIOLATE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION". STRAIGHT REPORTAGE, NO COMMENTARY.
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